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US students turn to e-tutors in Asia

WASHINGTON—AMERICAN students having trouble with pesky math equations or intricate English grammar are increasingly turning to tutors in Asian countries, including the Philippines, for help with their homework.

The tutors are part of a

US STUDENTS/A22





WITH 9/11 ON THEIR MIND, New Yorkers were stunned to see smoke streaming out of the windows of a 52-story condo in Manhattan after a small aircraft crashed into it on Thursday.



FATALITIES: New York Yankees pitcher Cory Lidle and his flight instructor.

17 test review execs charged

But NBI lauds PRC for acting on leak

By Armand N. Nocum and Margaux C. Ortiz

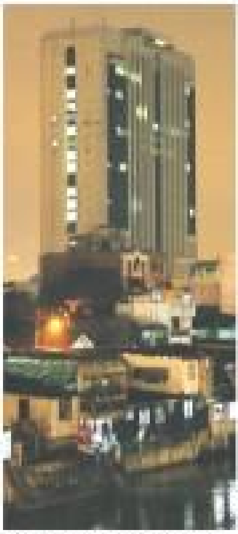
THE NATIONAL BUREAU of Investigation yesterday filed a complaint against 17 executives of three review centers suspected of involvement in the leak of test questions in the nursing licensure examination but it said the pattern indicated that cheating had been practiced in the annual exercise for years.

17 TESTS/A6

Makati set to fight Palace plan to get Binay

By Tarra V. Quismundo

MAKATI/A22



BINAY'S BASTION: The 22-story Makati City Hall (above) is now a virtual fortress to protect Mayor Binay from anyone set to serve a Palace suspension order.



New Yorkers think 9/11 as plane hits high-rise

NEW YORKERS/A22

Royal Australian Navy brings fun to cancer-stricken kids

By Jocelyn R. Uy

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Turk wins Nobel for literature

TURK WINS/A21

PRC chair to defy Palace, insisting on no retake

By Juliet Labog-Javellana

PRC CHAIR/A6

GMA widens probe of electricity spot market

By Jolene R. Bulambot, Inquirer Visayas, Gil C. Cabacungan Jr. and Abigail L. Ho

GMA PROBES/A6

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It's goodbye to 'Hello Garci'

IS IT GOODBYE TO "HELLO GARCI" AT LAST?

The military establishment thinks so as the military's role in future elections, starting with the 2007 polls, will be greatly diminished following the signing of an agreement yesterday with the Commission on Elections.



House holds Ombudsman's budget

Senate OKs automated polls

Comelec eyes absentee voting by mail

Corrections

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Palace to set aside P10 B for pay hike

Asean summit security beefed up

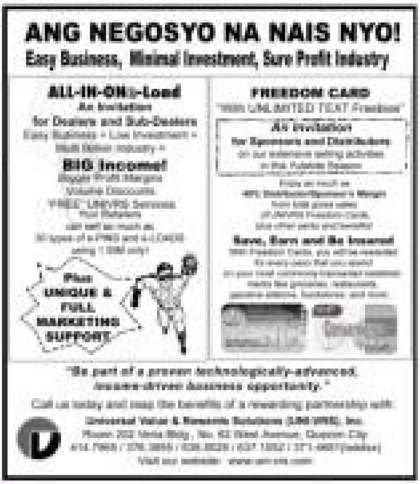
Solons push for bishop's prosecution

Oil prices cut anew

SC-British Embassy project to help lawyers on int'l law, globalization









Gov't OKs 3 mining exploration permits

THE GOVERNMENT APPROVED ON Tuesday three mining exploration permits, indicating it was bent on promoting the revival of the industry despite opposition by influential Catholic bishops and environmental groups.

The approvals came a month after the Chamber of Mines of the Philippines complained to President Macapagal-Arroyo that Manila seemed to be abandoning active promotion of the sector.

"We want a robust mining industry that will serve as a bridge to economic growth, economic prosperity, social equity and environmental enhancement," Environment Secretary Angelo Reyes said at a news conference.

"We want to deliver the message that the government, the president of the republic, is serious about wanting to develop the mining industry as a means of improving the quality of life of our people."

Earlier this year, the local industry feared Ms Arroyo was reversing a campaign to attract foreign investment in the mining sector after a commission, created by the President, called for a review of the country's investor-friendly mining laws.

Pending in Congress

The review remains pending in both houses of Congress, and it may take months before investors will know whether there will be any drastic changes to the law, which allows for 100 percent foreign ownership of mines.

The review was sparked by cyanide leaks at a copper and gold mine belonging to Australia's Lafayette Mining Ltd. in 2005, which raised the ire of the mainly Catholic country's bishops and green groups.

On Tuesday, Reyes said he had approved a permit for MRL Gold Philippines Inc., a unit of Canadian firm Mindoro Resources Ltd., to explore a 324-hectare area in Mabuhay town in Surigao del Norte province in the south of the country.

He also approved two permits that will allow Egerton Gold Philippines Inc., which is 40 percent owned by Australian firm Egerton Gold NL, to explore 8,000 hectares in Batangas province, south of Manila.

MRL has allotted nearly P24 million pesos for its exploration project while Egerton estimated spending at about P8 million.

An exploration permit has a term of two years, renewable for up to eight years.

If a viable mine deposit is discovered, a foreign firm can ask for a 25-year contract with the government to develop the area in a joint venture with a local firm or fully fund the project itself.

'Use it or lose it'

Reyes said there were about 1,300 applications for joint ventures to develop Philippine mines and 50 applications by foreign firms to fully fund mining development projects.

He said the government was reviewing all applications, some as old as 10 years, to throw out nonactive applicants.

"We will implement a use it or lose it policy," he said.

The government, which says the country has $1 trillion of unexplored gold, copper and nickel deposits, recently promoted 24 mining projects last year to revive its once lucrative industry.

It said the country needed at least $6.5 billion to rehabilitate closed mines and put into production identified gold, copper and nickel deposits. *Reuters*

Cabral orders internal audit of DSWD funds

By Cynthia D. Balana

IN AN UNPRECEDENTED MOVE, Social Welfare and Development Secretary Esperanza Cabral has ordered a comprehensive audit of funds and operations of all 16 DSWD centers and institutions nationwide, including its Self-Employment Assistance-Kaunlaran (SEA-K) Program, a micro-enterprise development project for the poor.

Cabral herself supervised the cross-posting of 17 regional internal auditors and a select group of social workers whose task is to see whether social welfare programs, including the handling of donations, relief operations and financial grants, are properly implemented and actually benefiting the poor. The aim, she said, was to create a graft and corruption-free agency.

Earlier, the DSWD tapped interfaith groups to help monitor DSWD relief operations.

"It is part of our efforts to make our services more transparent and to make sure that we are accountable to the people we serve," Cabral told the Inquirer in an interview.

'Keeping us honest'

"We feel that the interfaith groups are good partners in this endeavor. We rely on them to keep us honest," she added.

Cabral said the deployment of internal audit teams started on Sept. 30 and will end Oct. 20 for the first batch, while the second batch will be posted from Oct. 28 to Nov. 22.

Prior to the cross-posting, the audit teams underwent a three-day pre-deployment orientation to equip them with the different audit approaches. The audit will include a review of financial transactions and operations made from January 2005 to June 2006.

"The audit of the centers and institutions is in support of my directive to raise standards of service and showcase them as centers of excellence," Cabral said.

The audit will also focus on personnel and fund management; property, supply and procurement management; asset and property management; records, reporting and information systems management; emergency and disaster management; and case management.

Cabral said that a follow-through review of last year's audit on donations coursed through their centers and institutions will also be made.

Most compliant

The SEA-K program, on the other hand, will be audited in terms of financial assistance to the beneficiaries as well as the rollback of the assistance.

Cabral said she wants an objective assessment of how the program is being implemented and whether it is sustainable. The review will assist management in introducing improvements to enhance program effectiveness.

On top of the comprehensive audit is the DSWD's Internal Audit Service, which is mandated to regularly examine and evaluate the adequacy and effectiveness of the agency's internal controls, including the implementation of their Integrity Development Action Plan (IDAP).

For the first semester of 2006, the Presidential Anti-Graft Commission (PAGC) ranked DSWD as the second most-compliant agency in integrity development among the national government agencies and local government units.

Airport studying ways to get rid of seized liquids

By [illegible]

TWO MONTHS AFTER IMPLEMENTING A liquid ban, the airport authority is still looking for the best way to dispose of the items confiscated from air travelers.

A most likely option is to crush the bottles and tubes of liquids and gels, similar to the bulldozing of pirated CDs by the police, the Inquirer learned yesterday.

"That has been suggested," an airport source said in an interview.

Another proposal was to burn the items but this has already been rejected, the source said, who requested anonymity because the disposal procedure was still being finalized.

The police Aviation Security Group (ASG) has already some two roomful of confiscated items in its safekeeping.

The donation of the confiscated items may no longer be considered to avoid "controversies," the source said.

The airport authority continues to implement the liquid ban at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) Terminal 1 and Centennial Terminal and the Manila Domestic Airport after a terrorist plot to blow up transatlantic flights in midair was uncovered by the London police last August.

The Manila International Airport Authority (MIAA) has only slightly relaxed the ban after it allowed departing passengers to bring on board such items only if these were purchased from the duty free and small shops located after the airports' final security check.

The MIAA said passengers should still put liquids, gels and other items of similar consistency in their checked-in bags to avoid confiscation by security officers.

Airline Operators Council (AOC) chair Lucasio Bulgil agreed that the confiscated items should be destroyed and that this should be shown to the public.

"It's okay because it's teaching a lesson to the stubborn passengers who continue to ignore the airport authority's regulation," Bulgil told the Inquirer.

GMA widens probe of electricity spot market

IN THE KNOW

Suspicion

Consumers to pay more

Meralco not involved

Meralco IPPs

Suspension of WESM

Conducive to collusion

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Passers who cheated

Documentary evidence

'Leak in every sense'

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'Hypothetical stigma'

Separate blacks and whites



SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES DEVELOPMENT

Labor chief going to S. Korea

'Unholy alliance' of GMA foes is dead, says Palace

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Athletes fixtures in private planes

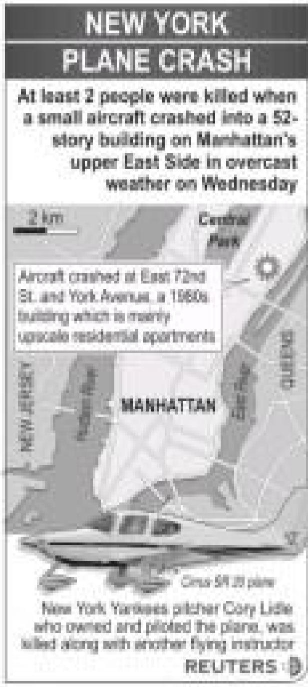


'Something I like to do'

Phillies, Yankees ban

NBA prohibits flying planes

Drivers have personal aircraft



New Yorkers think 9/11 as plane hits high-rise

Cause unknown

Unified sense of dread

Fighter jets scrambled

'Ompong' to bring more rain in Metro, Luzon

Belgian blames gov't for bishop's slay



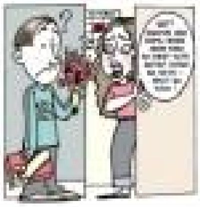
RALLYING FOR JUSTICE for Bishop Alberto Ramento and other victims.

PAGC axe

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Napocor Mafia delaying its privatization

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300 million Americans

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India's illiterate revolution

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RP should not pay illegal debts

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Nothing's new

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Bombings had trademark of Indon terror suspect



THREE HOMEMADE BOMBS THAT EXPLODED THIS WEEK IN Cotabato, including one that killed six people, were set off by mobile phones, a sign that officials believe points to Dulmatin, one of Asia's most wanted terror suspects.

Crude terror

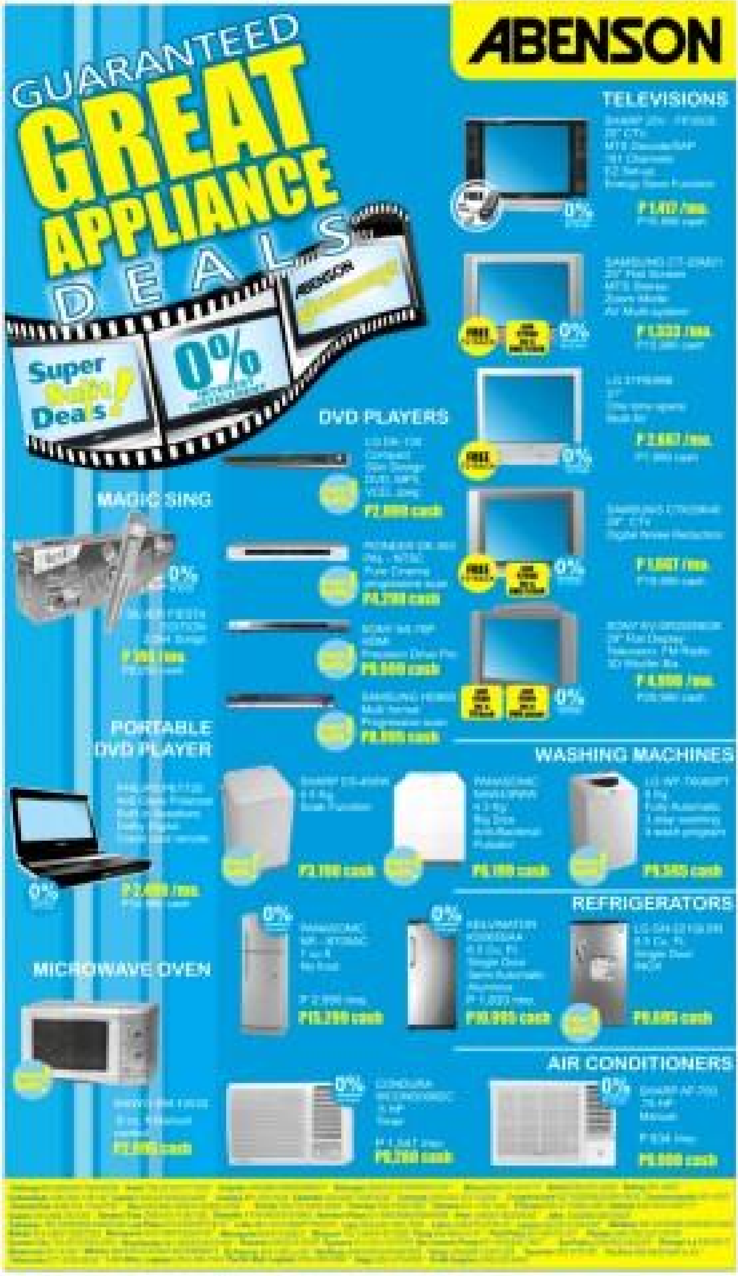
Criminal record

Finger-pointing

"When investigators examined the mobile phone, it had one missed call—an eerie indication of the attacker's failed effort to trigger a deadly explosion..."

More graft cases filed vs legislator





Captured NPA head cooling heels in Baguio

Ifugao offers land for jatropha plants

Chavit files case of plunder vs 43 execs over Poro Pt. row







Rains won't stop Zambo City feast

Bulusan ash covers 18 Sorsogon villages

Volcanic activity

Sugar country hails passage of biofuels bill by Senate

By Carla P. Gomez
Inquirer Visayas

Biofuels bill

Bigger market

Group starts signature drive online for 'Nicole'



MEMBERS of the Left militant women's group Gabriela hold a rally at the Department of Justice office in Manila to demand the conviction of four US Marines charged with raping Nicole.

Run out of medicines

Cordillera losing scientists to multinational firms abroad

Invest in business

New scholarship

'Very difficult'



MINING CONFERENCE
Vice President Noli de Castro and Environment Secretary Angelo Reyes exchange pleasantries in Malacañang with delegates to the Philippine Mining Conference in Makati City recently. At left is Philip Romualdez, president of the Chamber of Mines of the Philippines. The conference discussed the revival of the mining industry in the Philippines.

S.O.S. SORSOGON

Appeals for help in cash or in kind to help rehabilitate schools, markets and churches in the province hardest hit by "Milenyo."



Anonymous donor ₱1,000,000

To our appeal, an anonymous millionaire has given one million to this fund-raising!

To facilitate help of S.O.S. Sorsogon, we have sent ₱500,000 to Sorsogon City directly to Bank of the Philippine Islands branch in Sorsogon.

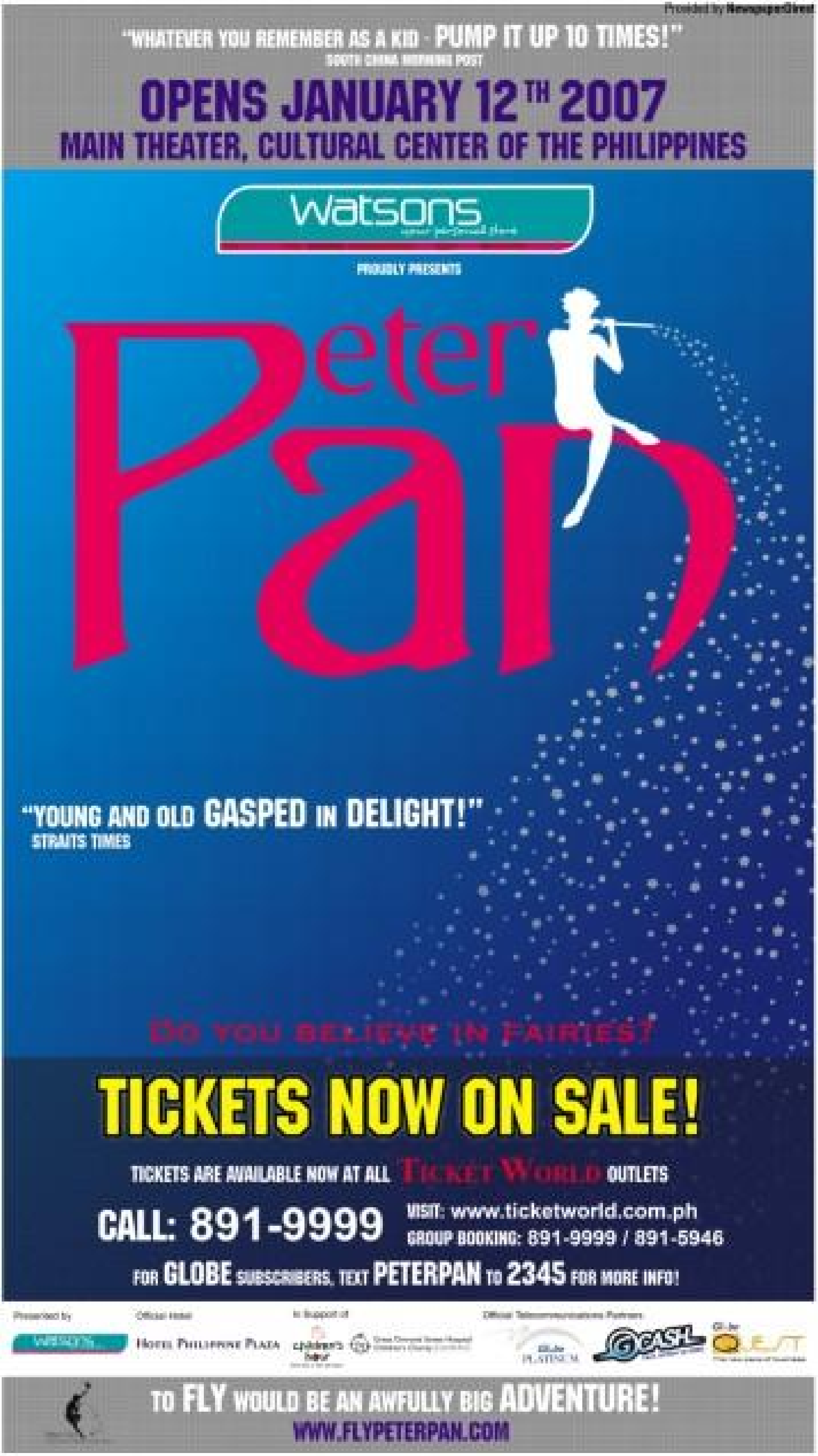
Yesterday, that money was used by Fr. Gerard Deveza and Councilor Dave Duran to start helping the barangays of Sorsogon.

Volunteers who want to join S.O.S. Sorsogon may get in touch with Ella Duran-Solasco at 646-9980 or Azucena Grajo Uranza at 928-9844 or 373-0810 or Fr. Gerard Deveza at 0917-5382023 or 0918-9008925.

Gerry Arnedo	₱4,000	Evelyn Barino	1,500
Gonzalo Reñag	500	Orlando Mendiola	5000
Irma Caorasno	1,500	Maria Clara Villanueva	3,000
Lydia Gregorio	7,000	Ramon Madrid	500
Thelma Lee Mendoza	10,000	Goring Sotero	500
Lourdes Pardo	500	Johnny Habilla	2,000
Luis Uranza	10,000	Anonymous	1,000,000
Lilian Belen	5,000	Total	₱1,530,000

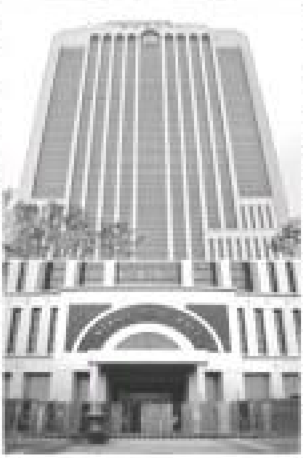
Checks have been deposited at Bank of the Philippine Islands (Account # 0011168701)

Watch this space Monday, Wednesday and Friday for reports on S.O.S. Sorsogon


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SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST
OPENS JANUARY 12TH 2007
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Makati set to fight Palace plan to get Binay





Submitted to Palace

Rushed before pre-poll ban

Rallies vs GMA

Turk wins Nobel Prize for Literature

Deserving

Challenged massacres

Calculated move

Long-term perspective

Royal Australian Navy brings fun to cancer-stricken kids

Birthday party

Welcome change

Missing dancing



US students turn to e-tutors in Asia for help with homework

Big anomaly

Affordable way

Growing industry


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THE TTG WINNER OF BEST MIDDLE EAST/AFRICAN CARRIER?
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WHERE TO GO?

Four senators, staff charged with robbery

Exec claims office 'sacked'

Navotas a city by yearend?

Ad firm seeks TRO on dismantled billboard



'Libingan' expansion plans leave 300 Taguig residents homeless

NBP guards replaced for allowing easy entry to visitors

Estrada wants biopic shown in Plaza Miranda

MetroBriefs

Mothers' lament

Ellinwood turns 99

Help Aiko

Did you know



655,000 BECAUSE OF WAR

Iraq death toll study sound, say experts

Indonesia marks 2002 Bali blasts anniversary

WorldBriefs

Motion to oust Taiwan president

In Britain, eased libel liability for journalists

At least five dead in French train crash

Heavy casualties in Sri Lanka fighting

The World



A FEMALE North Korean soldier stands guard at a military installation near the North Korean coast of Sinuiju Oct. 12. AP

N. Korea warns of 'strong countermeasures' vs Japan

SEOUL—NORTH KOREA THREATENED JAPAN on Thursday with "strong countermeasures" if it goes ahead with tougher sanctions over Pyongyang's reported nuclear test.

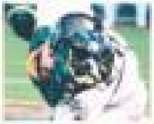
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Thai PM embarks on damage control with envoys



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TNT Phone Pals, Bulls seek tie for lead



Bata, Django beat SMB 9-ball rivals



Ferrer stuns second-seeded Korean

Joins Alcantara in semis; Santiago, Zoleta reach girl's last four

Lions, Lancers collide for Final 4 berth

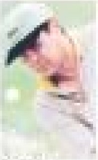


PBL draft: Magnolia gets 1st pick

POC wants all 267 athletes to be in Doba Asiad

By Marc Anthony Reyes

Fierce duel seen in La Salle-Ateneo golf



No salvation for RP sports without gov't support

CLEAN LIVING





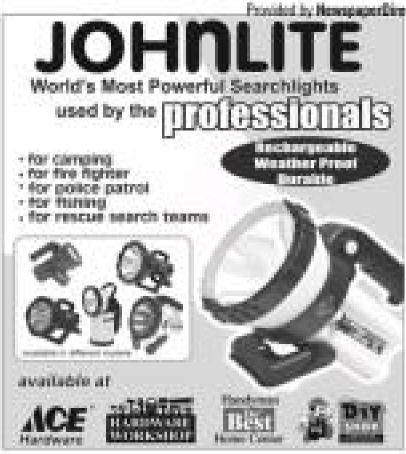
City Walk Tour up for MY Games athletes

Bata, Django beat SMB 9-ball rivals

PSC opens door to BAP; Jinggoy meets Peping



ESTRADA



SPORTSWATCH

Gomez bounces back

Battle at Midway Oct. 14

PCCA slugfest today

Sabungero 5-stag battles up

Tagaytay Poker Challenge all set





SPORTS

Detroit grabs 2-0 lead

Baseball mourns death of Yankees pitcher



CRAIG Monroe (left) of the Tigers slides in safely past the tag from catcher Jason Kendall of the Athletics.



COREY Lidle, who believed flying is safer than driving, tried to spend every spare moment in the air.

Lidle: The 'scab' who loved flying



NATIONAL table tennis champs during the awarding ceremonies.

RP standouts top table tennis tilt

Inspiring Issai finds treasure in Shenzhen ice

By Francis Ochoa

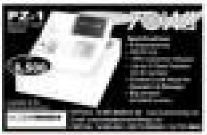


Marathon champions ready to Run for Life

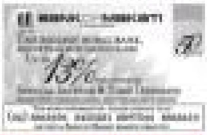
Navy pins 2nd loss on La Salle in Razon football

RACING TIPS

BY TOP CHOICE



BUSINESS



Gov't set to beef up state workers' pay

Initial allotment of ₱10B to be included in '07 budget, says DBCC

THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET and Management (DBM) is set to propose the readjustment of state workers' salaries for the first time in over 10 years.

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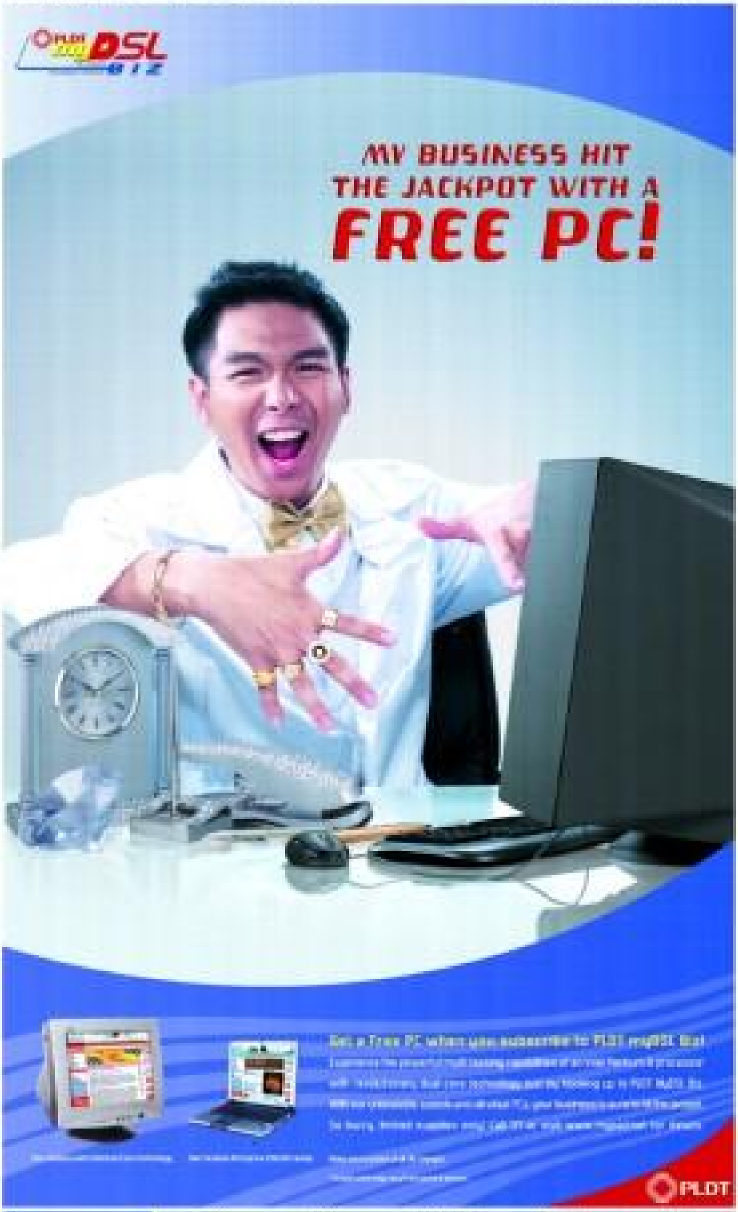
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STOCK MARKET



Shares closed up 0.28%



RP tax effort seen nearing pre-Asian crisis level

Fiscal authorities expect key figure to hit 16.1% by 2008



MADE IN CHINA

Cement manufacturing firms buck sale of 'smuggled' goods



WATKINSON

HSBC names new CEO for RP

Ayala's tech unit to invest $100M in thriving US, India BPO markets

LiveIt Solutions also acquired US provider Integreon for ₱900M

Metrobank sells off Steniel debt worth ₱380M

Zamora gets nickeled and dimed

Cocktails

Victor C. Agustin

Pensons get Grieve reminder

Money-go-round

Heard through the grapevine

SLC, Landco OK project





RP-South Korea trade seen rising by 10% this year

Trade office expects reversal of 6.5-percent drop in 2005

By Ronnel W. Domingo

A husky venture that plays by the ear

By Tina Arceo-Dumlao

CORPORATE CITIZEN





ANIMELDA Marcos-inspired ornament (right) and a Christmas ball made of corn husk.

Additional income

Environmental benefits

Political will necessary for survival

By Ernesto M. Ordoñez

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Executive branch

Trade representative office

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Metrobank raising capital by ₱6.6B

By Doris C. Dumlao

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Milenyo spawns phone charging business

By Gina Rodriguez
Inquirer Northern Luzon

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Farmers urged to go organic

Alternative practice more profitable, Searice study says

By Christine B. Gaylican

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Drop in sugar prices alarms producers

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Binga dam sale reset, legal, tax kinks cited

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Cocodiesel industry damaged by typhoon

By Frank Cimatu
Inquirer Northern Luzon

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Gov't set ...

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EUROPCAR SETS UP IN RP

WISE learning confab

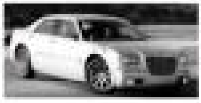


STCMS "SERIOUSLY JOKING" WITH REX NAVARRETE

Bits & Clips

Neurocritical Care Summit begins

Chrysler goes MAD!



CEO Excel Awards deadline reset

Ellinwood Malate Church turns 99

UST-Engineering Centennial Awardees

Business

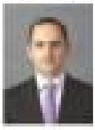


Insurance fund for BSP execs OKd

₱500M set aside to cover expenses due to court cases



Money in the Bank



BUSINESS *Friday*



More than just CEOs, communicators, too

What do Steve Jobs, Jack Welch, Bill Gates and Lee Iacocca have in common?



CHUA

ICONIC EXECUTIVE officers such as Apple Computer's Steve Jobs, General Electric's Jack Welch, Microsoft's Bill Gates and Chrysler's Lee Iacocca have another thing in common aside from being graduates at marketing, management and finance.

Tollway program

Small firm banks on size to take on giant rivals

Faster mobility and more flexibility compared with large competitors

By Daxim L. Lucas

THE COUNTRY'S INFORmation technology industry holds "tremendous" growth potential in the coming years, and a small company is betting that it can dominate the business despite the presence of bigger rivals.

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A SMALLER firm can leverage its smaller bureaucracy to get the jump on larger competitors.

More than ...

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Clean and green neighbor

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Excel awards

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Bayer appoints Filipino firm as distributor

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Bamboo production talk set in November

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TV SCHEDULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE.

Creating brands for Central Luzon products

Syempre Aurora, Galing Bataan, Tatak Bulakeño, Proudly Novo Ecijano . . .



No stranger to business

Main source of income

Carmell's

Brand health check - I

GIVING CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE

Heroes of the hospitality industry receive Mabuhay Awards



MABUHAY AWARDS RELAUNCH 2006



Susana P. Guerrero
Mabuhay Gold Awardee 2006

MABUHAY AWARDS

2006 Nominees

Rank and File Front of the House



Managerial



Supervisory



MABUHAY AWARDS 2006 JUDGES:



MABUHAY AWARDS 2006 COMMITTEE:



BUSINESS *Friday*

Brand health check - I



Wanted: Scheme to make Pinoys pay for insurance premiums

Making them pay for the first one is not hard, but not second. . .

INSURANCE EXECUTIVES have been talking to anyone who cared to listen about the importance of life insurance the past week in celebration of Insurance Consciousness Week.





LIFESTYLE

Editor Chelo Banal-Formoso







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Oh yes, you can

SHOP TILL YOU DROP this weekend without a tinge of guilt because it's all for a good cause, and get a good rest on Saturday night so you can wake up bright and early Sunday to walk for the same cause—the war against breast cancer. For enlightenment, sit in on a seminar sometime between the shopping and the walking. Let's turn the ugly stats—a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer every 3 minutes and a woman's life is lost every 14 minutes—into a swell of survivors.



Shopping spree

What: Tickled Pink Benefit Bazaar

Who: The I Can Serve Foundation sends funds to reach out to women with or at risk for breast cancer

When: 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Oct. 14-15

Where: The Loft, Rockwell, Makati City

Enhance the [illegible] into a paradise of designer clothes and accessories that you can't buy at these prices elsewhere, plus pretty darn good stuff for the home.



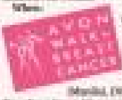
EMBROIDERED polo, P400, at the Count Me Care booth, is available in an assortment of colors.

Walk the talk

What: Avon's Walk Against Breast Cancer

Why: Avon is known globally as the biggest corporate advocate for advancing access to care and finding a cure for breast cancer, with a focus on medically underserved women.

When: Oct. 15, Registration: 5 to 6 a.m.



Where: SM Mall of Asia (Manila), [illegible] corner Tomas Terry Street (Cagayan de Oro) and Rizal Park (Davao)

Who: Women patients at the PGH Breast Care Center, Northern Mindanao Medical Center and the Corazon Locsin Montelibano Memorial Regional Hospital will benefit from your registration fee of P50.

First 750 walkers will get a pink scarf gift. For inquiries, visit any Avon branch in Metro Manila, Cagayan de Oro or Bacolod, or call the Avon help desk at [illegible]

Listening post

What: "Stay Strong!" Cancer Awareness Seminar

Why: Annual observance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month by the Philippine Foundation for Breast Cancer Care Inc. (PFBCC) and Philippine Mutual Corporation

When: Oct. 14, 2 p.m., and Oct. 21 at 9 a.m.

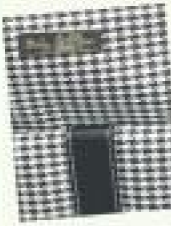
Where: Asian Institute of Management in Makati (Oct. 14) and Philippine Stock Exchange in Ortigas (Oct. 21)

Admission to the seminars is free. Call 8641517 or e-mail [illegible].ph

Baby's got bag

Great news for fashionista moms—here's a line of diaper bags you wouldn't mind carrying













Everything nice









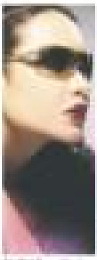


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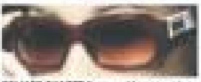


Retail chain focuses on kids

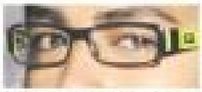












Eye on style



Masskara gets its own soundtrack

GOINGS ON



BARGAIN HAVEN



LIFESTYLE



Legs have become today's 'it' zone while Ernest Santiago and crowd relive the madness that was Coco Banana

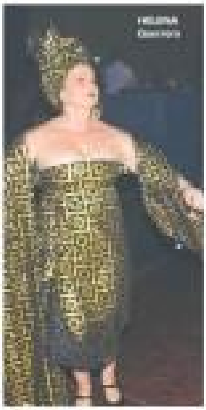
Going bananas over stockings and Coco



LIFE-STYLED

Thelma Sioson San Juan



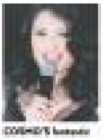




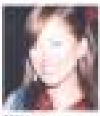
COSMOPOLITAN'S centerfold hunks Victor Basa, Will Devaughn, Fabio Rosales and Bachong Dee



THE GALS with Cosmo's hot models who participated in the instant kiss game



COSMO'S fantastic host, gorgeous and articulate Mariel Arroyo



SEXY, adorable Grace Garci

Screamfest at the bachelors' bash



MASTRING-O-SOL for Extreme Senior Sho Garce, girls lick the chocolate syrup on the body of Cosmo hunks

WITHOUT BATTING AN EYELASH



Maurice Arcache

Photos by Alex Van Hagen using Kodak EasyShare

MEN COULDN'T BELIEVE THIS event, better the rush, darlings, during that night of sheer extremes. From the extremely scorching fashion show to the extremely thrilling, to-die-for Cosmo centerfolds, it was an extremely hot Cosmopolitan Bachelor Bash 2006.

In the fab show, the shrieks and screams of the audience drowned out the sound system. There were hot treats and hot activities, starting with the mass-host cool Astring-O-sol for Extreme, co-presenter of the one-of-a-kind event which had a pulsing booth where the bash embodied "for an extremely cool breath."

Now, palangga, it was definitely a great way to keep the party on a roll! And the Cosmo girls had a thrill posing for photo souvenirs and ballroom with some of Cosmo's super-hot models at the Astring-O-sol photobooth.

The hottest moment of the event was the Astring-O-sol for Extreme's instant kiss games, in which three lucky ladies got a taste of Cosmo hunks. They kissed the guys in the spots they find the sexiest. Naturally, they kissed the guys with the aid of Astring-O-sol.

The extremely hot night was made possible by the new Astring-O-sol for Extreme that "has a time-release antibacterial action, fighting morning breath, with an extreme fastest-time flavor and intense cooling sensation," said hip, smart PR boy [illegible] Reyes.

Aside from this, this year's Cosmo men paraded and struck sexy provocative poses which the [illegible] couldn't get enough of. [illegible] opened the parade, and it definitely raised [illegible]. In the finale, [illegible] hunks came out in white briefs, while Cosmo T-shirts and sexy hats, and got [illegible] on stage, sending the thousands of fun, fearless females screaming their lungs out.

The show was co-presented by Ozon, Premiere Condoms, Olay Extreme and Samsung, [illegible].

Nacionalistas' new home

The country's oldest and greatest political party, the Nacionalista Party, has found a new home, palangga, on the second level of Starmall Edsa. It has its own conference area, lounge and pantry for meetings and forums all decked in minimalist décor. The opening of the new office is a run-up to the party's grand centennial in 2007.

At the formal inauguration officiated by Fr. Patrick Cardona and popular Senate President Manny Villar, NP's top men attended such as Rep. Lala Taliño-Santos of North Cotabato, Rep. Eddie Gullas of Cebu, Rep. [illegible] of Pampanga, and other die-hard Nacionalistas, palangga.

"More than just responding to the needs of the community and particular groups, the party seeks to build the firm that essentially build the nation, leading development through the empowerment of individuals and elevating the quality of life," said Villar.

With its central theme, "Ang Bayan Higit sa Lahat," the Nacionalistas' centennial will be a memorable one, palangga.

Mary Kay fete

Renowned beauty product Mary Kay gathered its many followers at the Mezze [illegible] for the launching of the rebranded TimeWise Miracle Set with Day Solution SPF 25 and Night Solution, which provides the skin awesome 'round-the-clock protection as well as renewal treatment.

The event featured awesome ultra-luxurious spa treatments using Mary Kay's premium products such as TimeWise Miracle Set, TimeWise Microdermabrasion, Satin Hands Pampering Set and Private Spa Collection, among others.

The happy invitees got cool foot facials, hand spa, foot spa and massage from well-trained spa personnel. The guests with an attitude got fabulous glitter tattoos.

Mary Kay's bandwagon executives such as general manager Benito Mercado, marketing director Rosita Rodrigo, and sales development and training director Lynne Tribble were there in full beauty force to welcome us.

Aside the yummy lunch, Mr. Charmer himself, bright and always smiling Benito Mercado made a corporate presentation. "The company empowers women with unique opportunities for financial and personal growth," he said. "We have some of the best perks and benefits Mary Kay gives to women—educational programs, incentive trips, jewelry, the famous pink car."

Hey, check out the awesome new products from Mary Kay and experience the cool miracle of anti-aging! Call 8550121 or visit www.marykay.com.

CWC bazaar

The Catholic Women's Club is known for its charities and other social services, which are made possible by fundraising drives, such as the noted Casa Y Justin bazaar.

"Still, palangga, through the Casa Y Justin, the CWC is able to build three pavilions at the Holy Trinity Village as well as a housing facility for the mentally handicapped.

This year's bazaar, palangga, will be held Oct. 21 and 22, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., at the Grand Ballroom of Hotel Intercontinental. Special guest of honor is [illegible].

The club will sell its [illegible] 2006 Limited-Edition Plates by National Artist Vicente Manansala, [illegible]. Also on sale are [illegible] uniforms sewn by housewives of a Gawad Kalinga housing project who were trained in dressmaking and provided sewing machines as part of the CWC's livelihood program. Not bad, huh!

"CWC member and benefactress Ana Zobel has once again lent her untiring support to this endeavor," said Nene Leonor.

Support the bazaar! For every item you buy from the sale, you can be assured you are helping our less fortunate brothers and sisters!

Tatler ball

Hey, palangga, high-end chic magazine Philippine Tatler rings in historic and unprecedented fifth year tomorrow night via the talk-of-the-town Philippine Tatler Ball at Makati Shangri-La Hotel's Grand Rizal Ballroom. As in the past, the elegant ball is a strictly invitational event, darlings.

I am sure that our town is buzzing with what people will be wearing, whom they will be seated, and who the awardees will be this year. Well, palangga, all will be told tomorrow! Catch you there at the ball of the year.



COSMO gals Michelle Dingal, Aiza de los Santos, Grace Mariano and Kay Velasco



EXTREME models Michelle Barretto and Dolores Menezes



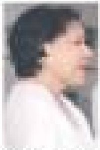
CASA Y Justin Committee: (first row) members Dominga Madia, Carmen Roxas, Carol Yao; (second row) Lulu Castañeda, co-chair Marilen [illegible], 2006 chair Nikki Viterla, president Linda Portuan, co-chair Ann Freydon; (standing) members Mimi Valerio, Baby Hugo, Myrna Bernardo, Tina Castro, Nene Leonor and Shirley Uy



MARY KAY Phils. general manager Benito Mercado gives his corporate presentation



NP HOT lawyer Bert [illegible], Ignacio Papa Oliveros and Ray Orosa



NP FIRST Lady Rep. Cynthia Villar



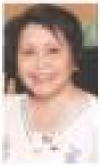
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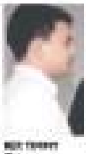
JOJO Villar



MEZZE'S Bobong Velez, Nancy Harsi, president of Nancy Harsi & Associates, Inc.; and MKP director for marketing Rosita Rodrigo



CEBU'S forceful news person Malu Harsi



REP. TEDDY Chipeco



REPRESENTATIVES Boying Remulla, Cavite Third District, and Ina [illegible], Iloilo Fourth District, listen as Rep. Janette Garin of Iloilo's First District



NANCY Harsi PR ladies Jessa Gamo, Glocka Cemeroney and Mening Lovedina, with Dante Centeno of Zamboanga



SENATE President Manny Villar formally opens the new NP headquarters with Rep. Alan Cayetano, secretary general, NP Taguig-Pateros; former Ambassador Macario Laurel IV; Rep. Cato Figueroa, NP Second District Western Samar; Rep. Jing Hernas, NP Fifth District, Manila; (second row) Rep. Tony Santiago, NP Second District, Valenzuela; Rep. Bingbong Crisologo, NP First District, QC; Rep. Gilbert Remulla, spokesperson, NP Second District, Cavite; Rep. Timmy Chipeco, NP Second District, Laguna (partly hidden); Rep. Yil Gumapos, NP Second District, Bukidnon; and lawyer Ramon Maronilla

Going bananas over stockings and Coco





They went back

Catching up

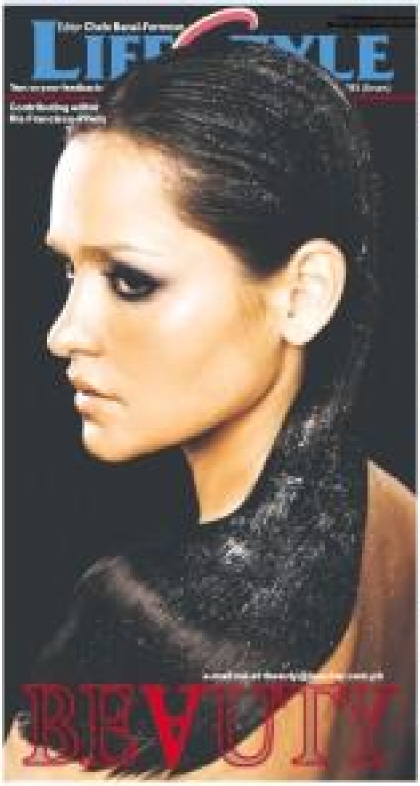
Arthritic generation

Going bananas over stockings and Coco

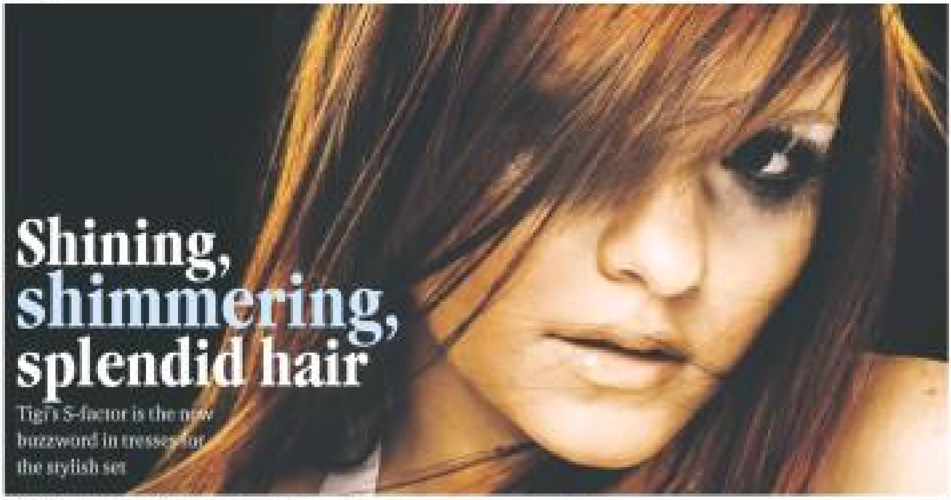






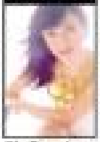

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BEAUTY


MARITHÉ FRANÇOIS GIRBAUD



Shining, shimmering, splendid hair

Tigi's S-factor is the new buzzword in tresses for the stylish set



KNOCKOUT!

Ria Francisco-Prieto

SOME PEOPLE ARE blessed with the hair they want. I would like to think, though, that most of us wish we had "better hair."

The S-factor

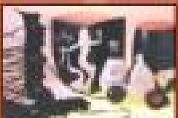


KEEP your hair in shape.



Glamorous seduction





JP in Hong Kong

Paradigm shift

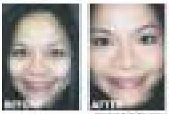
Power in a scent



cut & keep

Easy makeup
for a younger-looking you

Wearing outdated makeup is a surefire way to add years to your appearance



BEAUTY SCENT-SATION



Scent of an apple



Rescue for face, eyes and lips

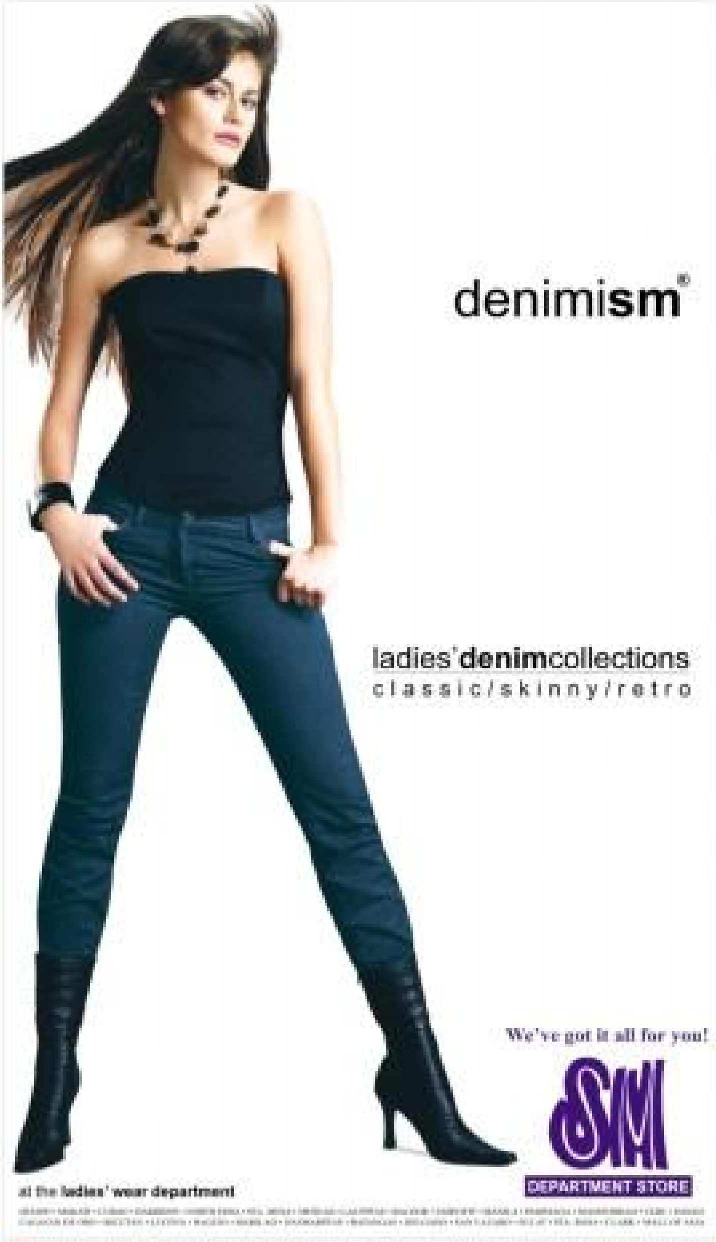
Asian expertise for Asian hair

Vitamins and other supplements for the skin

MAKEOVER 911



Good skin for now





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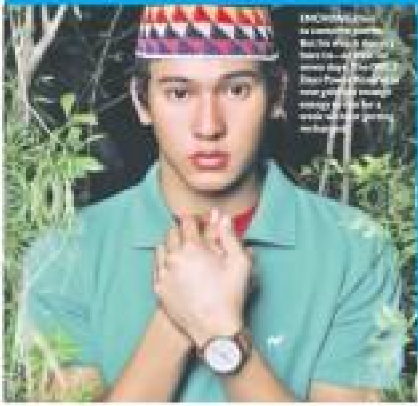














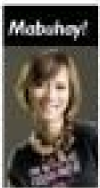
Perfect timing

The International Watch Company has tried-and-tested rugged watches that are the epitome of cool

FOR ASPIRING OLYMPIC swimmer Enchong Dee, one isn't just a number. It's the place to be—right at the top. After all, who wouldn't want to be No. 1, the alpha dog, the head of the class... you get the picture?

Underneath Enchong's angelic appearance is a fiercely competitive soul who already does what ever it takes to get what he wants. And what he wants now is an Olympic gold.

Mabuhay!



Jessi Epperson

Model Enchong Dee

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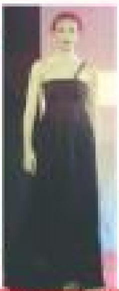






Dennis Lustico Black comes back in designer du jour Dennis Lustico's [illegible]-inspired collection.









Rhett Eala [illegible] in Rhett Eala's lyrical, Greek-inspired collection.

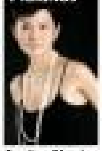
Fab fashion trio

Rajo Laurel, Rhett Eala and Dennis Lustico in one show was a strong start for the Metrowear series

LET ME START BY SAYING THAT IT was quite difficult for me to review the Metrowear show of Rajo Laurel, Rhett Eala and Dennis Lustico. I was a model for more than half my lifetime so most industry designers are my friends or acquaintances. It was a real challenge to stay objective, but I'd like to think I managed to get the job done.

In any case, Rajo, Rhett and Dennis were kicking off quite a major production that [illegible]

APPLES' PICKINGS



Apples Aberin-Sadhwani



[illegible]

Showstopper

[illegible]



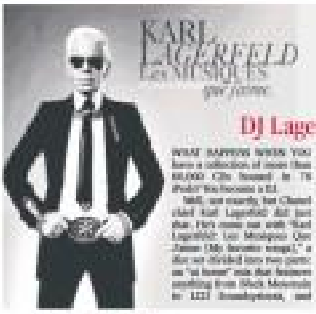




Rajo Laurel Princess Diana meets Alexis Carrington in Rajo Laurel's modern, stylized, ready-to-wear collection.

FASHION BUZZ

Hot, haute, hot news!



DJ Lagerfeld

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU have a collection of more than 80,000 CDs housed in 70 iPods? You become a DJ.

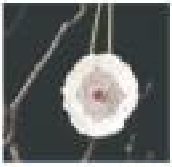
Well, not exactly, but Chanel chief Karl Lagerfeld did just that. He's come out with "Karl Lagerfeld: Les Musiques Que J'aime (My favorite songs)," a disc set divided into two parts: an "at home" mix that features anything from [illegible] to [illegible], and "fashion show" beats that range from [illegible] to [illegible].

Though it is hard to imagine Lagerfeld wearing headphones [illegible] and "spinning" at a club [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Jewel tones





[illegible] PRESENTS her newest collection of handcrafted jewelry in the exhibit, "[illegible]."

The collection uses mostly gold and a bit of silver as the base, with pearls, semi-precious stones, and diamonds.

"I was drawn to the details in life forms such as a bird's egg, [illegible] and [illegible], seedlings and fronds of plants," [illegible] explained. Although the new designs use the principles of balance, suspension and depth, they seem to look more alive because [illegible] captures and "freezes" these details into earrings, rings, brooches and pendants.

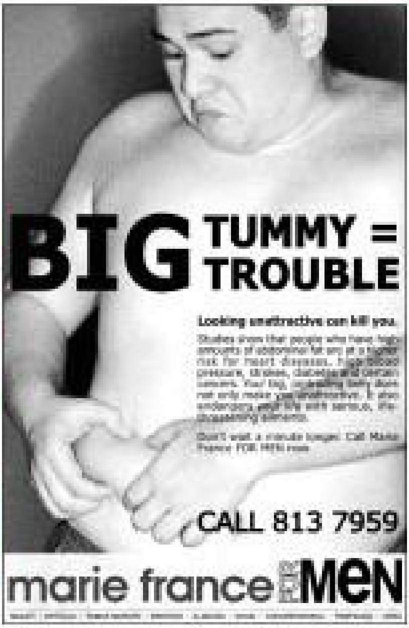
The [illegible]-year-old [illegible] developed her skill in jewelry design and crafting while taking her Masters in Industrial Design at New York's Pratt Institute.

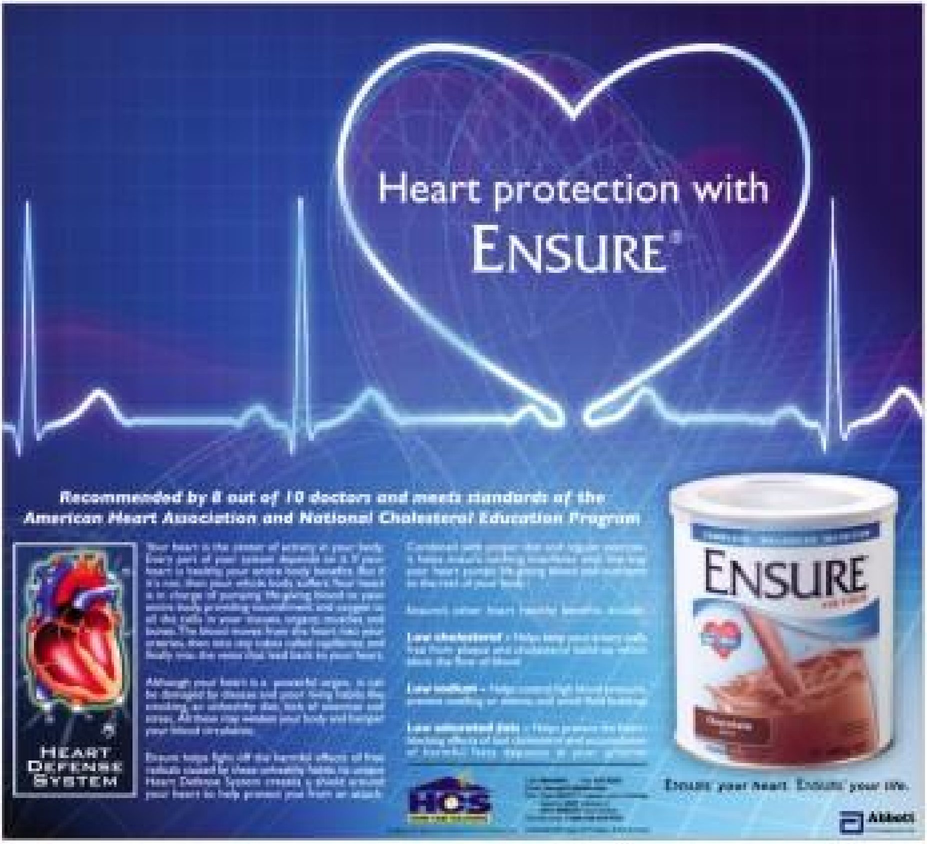
"[illegible]" will run from Oct. 20 to 30 at the [illegible] Gallery, Unit [illegible], [illegible], [illegible] Valero and [illegible] Sts., Salcedo Village, Makati. Call [illegible].



Shoes and more shoes







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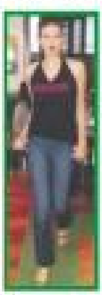
Jean tonic, s'il vous plait

Paris fashion label Lulu Castagnette says 'Oui!' to a denim line exclusive for Filipinas

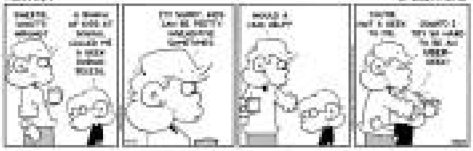


A WOMAN CAN NEVER HAVE enough shoes. Likewise, a Filipino woman, it seems, can never have enough pairs of jeans.

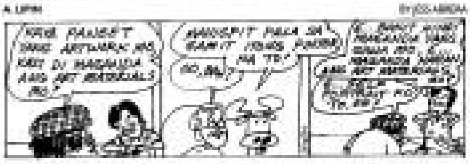




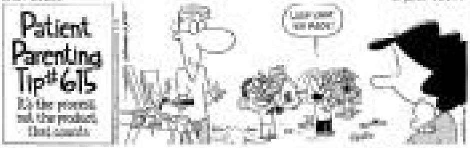
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A. LIPIN — BY JESS ABRERA



BABY BLUES — BY JERRY SCOTT



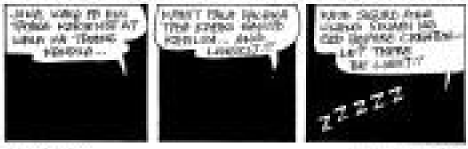
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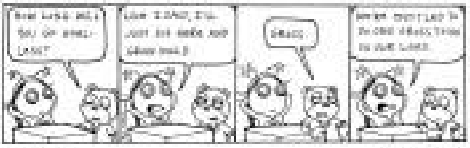
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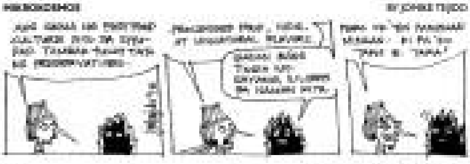
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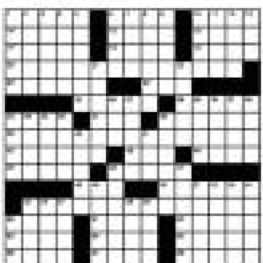


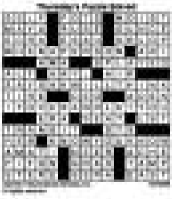


BEN — BY DANIEL SHELTON



DAILY CROSSWORD





HOROSCOPE

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU

Conceptis Sudoku by Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★★★★

HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

Fill the grid so that every column, every row and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 to 9.

Tips and program at www.sudoku.com

Answer to previous puzzle

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Difficulty Level ★★★



YOU'RE my baby...





Hot Secret

Hot Pink is a lingerie brand carrying locally manufactured products made of imported material from Hong Kong and Europe



Creative Knits



FASHION FLASH



ENTERTAINMENT

Editor: Emmie G. Velarde



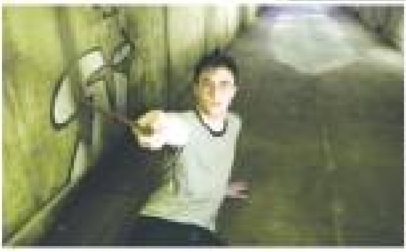
DANIEL RADCLIFFE (center) as Harry Potter, with Rupert Grint as Ron Weasley and Emma Watson as Hermione Granger

A London visit to 'Harry Potter 5' set and a talk with 'The Queen'

ONLY IN HOLLYWOOD



Ruben V. Nepales





EVANNA LYNCH beat over 15,000 hopefuls to get the part of Luna Lovegood

A London visit to 'Harry Potter 5' set . . .



DIRECTOR Stephen Frears coaches Helen Mirren on the set of "The Queen."

On-air Ninja lessons



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Nick invades schools

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LIVING Stars

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Bong's double shebang



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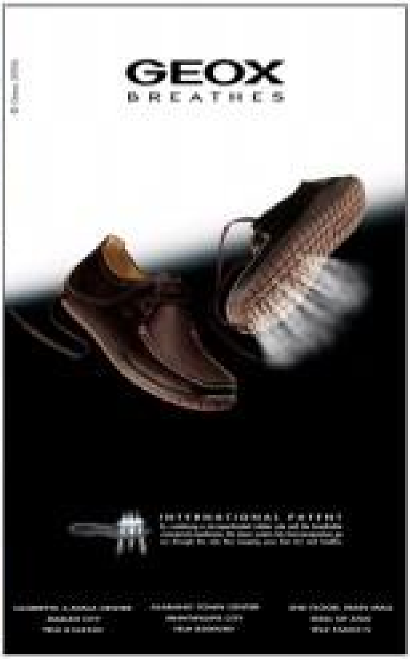


LOUISE (HOJOFLY)



BIMBO CERRUDO







From Paris to New York

Red Carpet



Nick Fuentes and Leonardo DiCaprio arrive at the screening of their movie "The Departed" on Oct. 10 at the Grand Rex, Paris.





"The Devil Wears Prada" author Lauren Weisberger and actress Suzanne Somers ...

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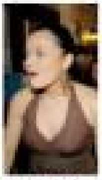
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Bong turns 40



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9 STEP UP
10 MY FIRST WEDDING

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NOVALICHES

1 THE TEXAS CHAINSAW MASSACRE
2 TILL I MET YOU
3 THE GUARDIAN
4 BARNYARD
5 THE DEPARTED

CITISQUARE MALABON

1 FIRST DAY HIGH
2 TILL I MET YOU
3 RESERVE
4 RESERVE

PIONEER

1 THE GUARDIAN
2 BARNYARD
3 TILL I MET YOU
4 TEXAS CHAINSAW MASSACRE

STA. ROSA

1 THE GUARDIAN
2 DEAD OR ALIVE
3 TILL I MET YOU
4 STEP UP

LIPA

1 THE WICKER MAN
2 TILL I MET YOU
3 POSSESSED BY EVIL
4 TWILIGHT DANCERS

DASMARIÑAS

1 STEP UP
2 THE GUARDIAN
3 TILL I MET YOU
4 THE DEPARTED

ANGELES

1 THE GUARDIAN
2 TILL I MET YOU
3 POSSESSED BY EVIL
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1 THE DEPARTED
2 POSSESSED BY EVIL
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4 THE GUARDIAN

STARMILLS

1 THE GUARDIAN
2 FIRST DAY HIGH
3 TILL I MET YOU
4 THE BREED
5 DEAD OR ALIVE
6 THE DEPARTED

BACOLOD

1 JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE
2 SNAKES ON A PLANE
3 TILL I MET YOU
4 CRANK
5 SCOOP
6 TWILIGHT DANCERS

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1 FLY BOYS
2 TILL I MET YOU
3 THE BREED
4 JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE


THE BIRTHDAY boy is flanked by Andrea and Jun Trinos.


CHIT RAMOS and Bong blow the candles on their cakes.


RAMON REVILLA SR. and Robert Jaworski


GIGI DE LA RIVA and Marlon Bautista


POWER table (from left): Lilia Montemeda, Chiara Santos, Jolo Revilla, Cozy Vidanes and Mateo Santos.


WITH his constituents in Cavite


PRESIDENT GLORIA MACAPAGAL ARROYO joins the celebration. Lani and their kids are also onstage.

PARTY! PARTY!

Bong turns 40

"LIFE BEGINS AT 40," declared Sen. Ramon "Bong" Revilla Jr., who celebrated his birthday twice—at the Heritage Hotel on Sept. 25 and at the family's mansion in Cavite on Sept. 25 (his actual birthday).

"The first party, which was for those his colleagues and close friends, lasted until 4 a.m. The second one, for his constituents and provincial leaders, wrapped up at 4 a.m. also. Over a thousand people were at the family compound that

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